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Reserve Fund £3,527,947.
III—Life & Annuity Fund £17,607,490.
Sinking Fund Account £128,230.
£23,970,367.
Revenue Fire Branch £2,381,456.
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Revenue Marine Department £37,238.
Other Receipts £78,940.
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THE WAR.
TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS
(Reuter's Service to the [China Mail].)

DEBATE IN REICHSTAG.
AMSTERDAM, Jan. 28.
The debate in the Reichstag continued on Saturday.
The speakers, as on the previous day, were generally critical; even the pan-Germans did not venture to air violent annexationist views.
The Socialist, Herr David, and the Progressive, Herr Naumann, demanded a definite pronouncement on the subject of Belgium; the serious consideration of President Wilson's peace proposals; the repudiation of undisciplined advocates of conquest like Admiral von Tirpitz and the Fatherland Party and better guarantees for the right of self-determination by border peoples.
Dr. von Kuehlmann, replying, promised to do his best to broaden the representative bodies of the occupied territories and said as a result of that debate he would resume the difficult negotiations at Brest-Litovsk with the increased certainty that they would result in an honourable peace.

THE WESTERN FRONT.
RENEWED ACTIVITY.
SEVERE FIGHTING NORTH OF YPRES.
WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.
The War Secretary's weekly review speaks of renewed activity on the Western Front, including the region bordering on the North Sea where there has been severe fighting.
A carefully co-ordinated British operation in concert with land batteries in the area north of Ypres subjected the German defences of Ostend and the surrounding country to a severe bombardment. The British did not attempt an infantry action.
The Secretary for War mentions the attack upon the French at Neuport, called on the 28th inst., and says it was more than a simple raid, being a sharp reaction to the British attack before mentioned.
Referring to Italy the Review expressed the opinion that the enemy has temporarily abandoned the attempt to reach the plains. The Secretary for War thinks the Austrians are planning to shift the attack further west.
The Review concludes by saying that the general strike at Vienna and other upheavals against the Monarchy will inevitably react on the general situation.

THE BRITISH FRONT.
LONDON, Jan. 28.
Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—
The enemy raided our advanced posts north-east of Langemarck. Three of our men are missing.
We dispersed strong hostile reconnoitring to the south-east of Yverguier.
Hostile artillery is active on the south-west of Cambrai, northward of Lens and in the Passchendaele sector.

FRENCH RAIDS ON ENEMY LINES.
LONDON, Jan. 28.
A French communiqué states:—
We made various successful raids on the enemy's lines in Champagne and north of St. Mihiel, bringing back prisoners.
Hostile artillery is active on the south-west of Cambrai, northward of Lens and in the Passchendaele sector.

NAVAL AIRCRAFT ACTIVITY.
LONDON, Jan. 28.
The Admiralty reports: Our Naval aircraft bombed Aertrike aerodromes and Engel dump. The clouds rendered observation of results difficult. All our machines returned.

BRITISH AIR RAID ON MANNHEIM.
LONDON, Jan. 28.
A telegram from Geneva says that travellers from Mannheim state that the British air raid on January 24 caused a tremendous panic. The people rushed into the streets, half clothed, and an angry crowd, after the departure of the raiders, collected, shouting for peace.

MORE FOOD RIOTS IN AUSTRIA.
ZURICH, Jan. 28.
A message from Vienna states that 3,000 persons demonstrated at Prague against a reduction of the flour ration by one-half. They smashed shop windows and looted goods. The police dispersed the rioters with difficulty. All the restaurants lack potatoes, vegetables and flour.
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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTEENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Offices of Messrs. DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, on TUESDAY, the 5th February, 1918, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1917.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 30th January to 5th February, 1918, both dates inclusive.

DODWELL & COMPANY, LTD.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, Jan. 23, 1918.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 9th February, 1918, at 11.30 A.M. for the purpose of receiving the Reports of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1917.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 4th February to the 14th February (both dates inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, Jan. 23, 1918.

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TO THE OWNERS OF DOMESTIC BUILDINGS.

TAKE NOTICE that under No. 3 of the DOMESTIC CLEANSING AND VENTILATION BYELAWS (as amended) every Domestic Building or part of such Building within the CENTRAL Division of the City of Victoria, and the WESTERN Division of Kowloon, occupied by members of more than one family, except those within the European Reservation or in Kowloon South of Austin Road, or those parts of a Domestic Building used as a Shop, Office or Godown, must be CLEANSED and LIMED THROUGHOUT by the Owners during the months of December and January.

N.B.—The word "throughout" used in this Notice means that the Houses should be limewashed in respect of all the Walls of each Room, all Cubicles, Partitions, Stair Cases and Stair Linings, all Cellings and the Under-sides of the Roofs in Main Buildings, Offices and Servants' Quarters and inclusive of Verandahs.

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C. M. W. REYNOLDS,
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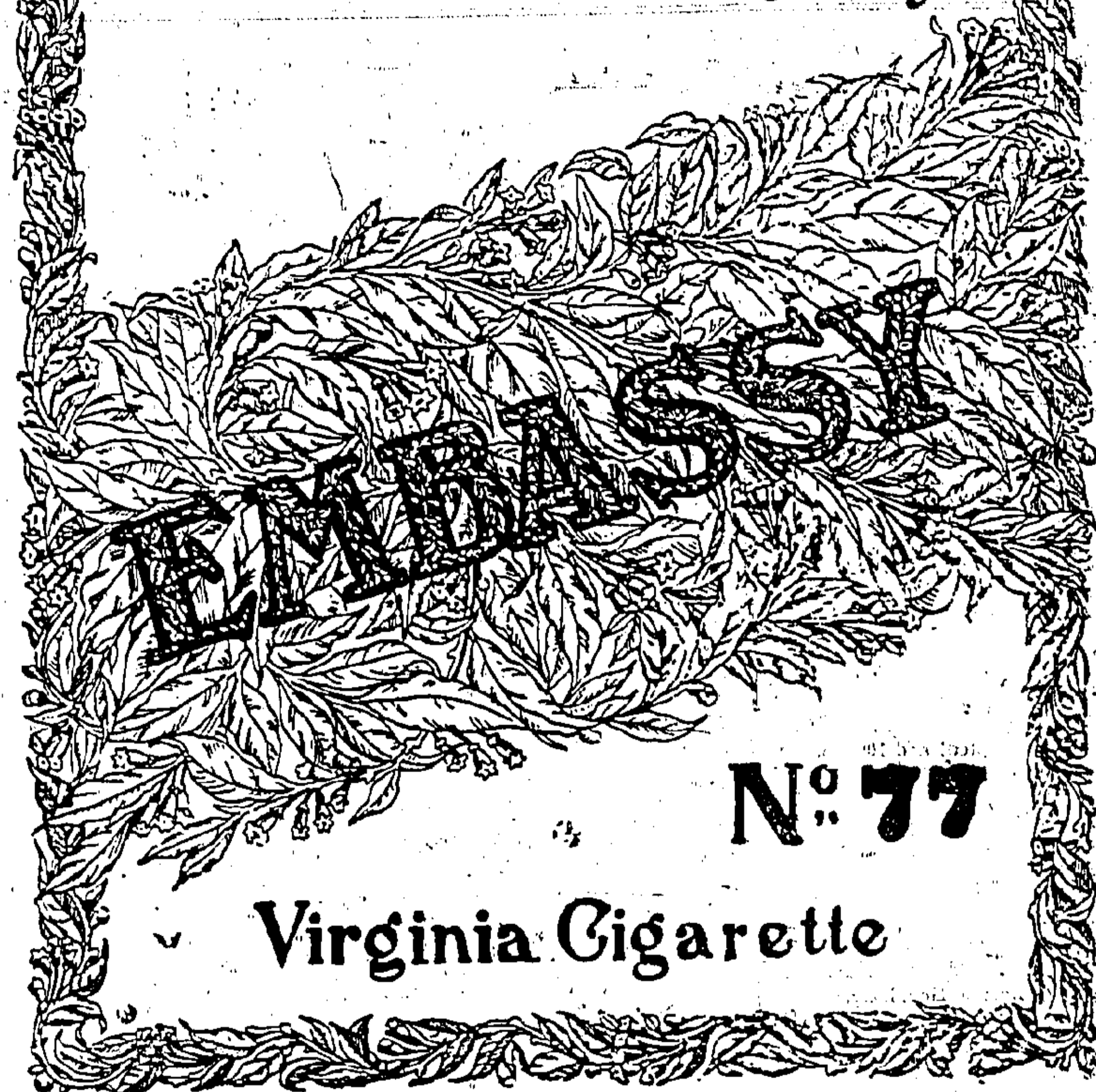
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THE YANGTZE OUTRAGES

The N.C. Daily News gives the following information regarding the firing on foreign steamers on the Yangtze.

On December 5th, the C.N.S. Shensi was fired on by soldiers about 4 miles below the Standard Oil Installation near Shasi. The fusillade was from soldiers on the right bank of the river.

AN OUTRAGEOUS DEMAND.

On arrival at Shasi, and after the steamer had made fast, a body of soldiers came on board and took up positions forward and aft. A little later an official with an armed guard came on board, and the official, producing his card as credentials, informed the Master, Capt. Agassiz, that unless the 42 cases of silver dollars (\$200,000) which were on board were handed over he would shoot on the vessel if she started.

The captain retorted that he was not aware by what right the official came on board and demanded cargo which was consigned to Ichang. The Chinese replied that he would go to the Customs Commissioner and obtain from him an order upon the Captain to hand over the money. The captain replied that he would recognize nothing but instructions from Messrs. Butterfield & Swire. The official left the boat and subsequently interviews between the Commissioner, the Chinese authorities and the captain proved fruitless. Finally in the afternoon the same official came again on board and said the vessel would not be fired on as she proceeded to Ichang. The next morning, abreast of Kiangtow the ship was again fired on, and on December 23rd a similar incident took place about two miles below Skipper Point. Fortunately on none of these occasions was any damage done to either passengers or ship, but that does not mitigate the outrageousness of the incident.

On December 4th the str. Siangtan was held up by soldiers pointing rifles at the vessel, which was challenged as to whether or no there were any Northern soldiers on board. Upon the reply being made that the vessel was British she was allowed to pass unmolested.

A REGULAR SEASON.

On December 16th, the str. Tung-wo, having been detained at Shasi by information of an impending battle,

was, when six miles above Yochow, fired on by soldiers, stopped, boarded and searched. On December 22nd while on another voyage from Hankow to Shasi and Ichang the ship was held up by soldiers on the bank below Temple Hill. They threatened to fire unless the vessel came into the bank, which no sooner had the Tungwo done, than the soldiers told her to proceed. The ship had not been going for more than ten minutes before she was held up by another party of soldiers who also threatened to shoot and after the vessel had been going again for another 20 minutes the same performance was repeated by another band.

The Kiangwo, similarly on a voyage from Hankow to Ichang, passed Tsaukenkau and had left that place about a mile behind, when rifle fire was directed on her. This was maintained intermittently for about a quarter of an hour, during which time one of the Chinese passengers was seriously wounded. Shortly afterwards soldiers called out from the bank and instructed the boat to return to the village and anchor there. This was done and a body of soldiers under an officer boarded her and examined all the Chinese passengers. Eventually the ship was allowed to proceed, but not before the pleasing information was given that she would probably be intercepted again at Temple Hill, which was in fact done, the Kiangwo being allowed to proceed on her way after a further inspection.

On January 11th the str. Kian on a voyage from Ichang to Hankow

was fired on and boarded by Southern soldiers on two occasions.

The result of this has been that on a recent trip the Kiangwo was escorted by H.M.S. Woodcock. The Kiangwo was fired on again and the Woodcock returned the fire. The Kian on her voyage last week was escorted by H.M.S. Snipe.

WAR BONDS OF FREEDOM.

RICH URGED TO CULTIVATE THE WEEKLY HABIT.

Believing that all portents go to prove that the war will be a long one, Sir Robert Kinderley, chairman of the National War Savings Committee, urges the public to change their point of view in regard to investments. "We have got out of date," he said to a Daily Chronicle representative recently, "of investing smaller sums more frequently instead of larger amounts once or twice a year. The old idea that it is necessary to keep a big balance at one's bankers is out of date. The bankers themselves in many instances have appealed to their clients to utilise all their resources for investment in National War Bonds."

Firms, companies and individuals should arrange with their bankers to reduce their permanent balance and invest in War Bonds. The smaller investor is by slow degrees adopting this habit of weekly investment, and it is necessary that the more wealthy class of the community should adopt the same habit. It should be looked upon as a duty and a privilege by every partner in every business and every director of every limited company to place at the disposal of the State, by investment in National War Bonds, every penny which is not absolutely necessary for the conduct of their business.

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STRAITS SETTLEMENTS "OUR DAY" RESULT.

NEARLY A MILLION DOLLARS.

A meeting of the General Committee of the "Our Day" Fund was held recently, the chairman (the Hon. Mr. F. S. James, C.M.G.) presiding. Mr. J. Rodessa, hon. secretary of the General Committee, presented the following report on the year's efforts—

In consequence of an appeal for funds made on behalf of the Joint Committee of the British Red Cross Society and of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem by H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught and Lord Lansdowne, a number of well-known representatives of various races were called together as a General Committee, on the 30th August, to agree as to the means of furthering this appeal and to appoint Sub-Committees to carry out the details of the several schemes adopted. Owing to the Rages, Saturday, the 27th of October was chosen for "Our Day," but most of the items of the programme of Events organised in support of this Fund took place before and after that date to prevent clashing.

Subscription lists in several languages and collection boxes were distributed everywhere, and, in order to explain the purposes of this Fund as widely as possible to the Asiatic population of this place, separate meetings of Hindus and of Mohammedans were addressed by the Chairman and by H.E. the General. The Hon. Mr. James further presided at a special meeting of influential Chinese gentlemen at the Chinese Chamber of Commerce with most excellent results. All the many and varied communities of Singapore were therefore reached and they have responded wholeheartedly, but it may be said that the generosity of the Chinese portion of the population has been magnificent and that the Chinese Chamber of Commerce assisted greatly to this effect.

The ladies, on their own initiative, organised a most successful fête and carried out the sale of badges, flags and Zeppelin souvenirs received from England or made locally. Their efforts produced a most welcome addition of over \$21,600 to the Fund. Several Dutch Ladies gave personal assistance in selling badges, and the Dutch community were again most generous in their contributions. The American and Japanese communities also gave liberally whilst the proceeds of hotels, theatres, cinemas, circuses have helped the Fund to a considerable amount.

The result of all the above is that sums amounting to \$966,234.88 or \$111,941 have been wired by the Hon. Treasurer to the credit of Our Day Fund in London. These sums represent the amounts received, this year, by the Hon. Treasurer from the Straits Settlements, the United Federated Malay States and Johore as follows—

Singapore	\$485,048.08
Penang	225,100.00
Malacca	53,905.85
Kedah	38,954.68
Trengganu	8,108.48
Kelantan	6,207.71
Labuan and Brunel	4,100.00
Christmas Island	1,283.00
Balance from "Our Day 1916"	1,775.93
Interest at 2% p.a.	1,810.00
Johore	163,831.48

A sum of \$21,286.03 or \$2,500 remitted to London in February, 1917, and credited to "Our Day 1916" has to be deducted from the above amounts as well as expenses amounting to \$122.83 (\$26.88 which were incurred in 1916).

This leaves a balance of \$966.57 in the Hon. Treasurer's hands and further sums amounting to about \$15,000 are expected. To avoid confusion, however, it is proposed to close now the accounts of Our Day 1917 and to carry forward the balance in hand and all other sums received later to the credit of "Our Day 1918." This splendid result, achieved against all expectations, will, it is hoped, maintain the position acquired by the Straits Settlements in 1916 as the head of the Crown Colonies, and, if the total amount of the Federated Malay States contributions is added, it will possibly place "Malaya" very high up in the list of contributors from the British Empire.

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THE CATHAY TRUST AT SHANGHAI.

THE LIQUIDATION.

A general meeting of the shareholders of the Cathay Trust, Ltd., (in liquidation) was held on the 22nd inst., at No. 10, Canton Road, Shanghai, when Mr. F. N. Matthews, provided, supported by Mr. J. C. Dyer (liquidator). The attendance represented 157,925 shares.

The notice convening the meeting having been read the chairman said:—

Gentlemen,—As you are aware this company went into voluntary liquidation on April 30th, 1917, on which date the second extraordinary general meeting then convened duly confirmed the resolution to wind up voluntarily and ratified the appointment of Mr. J. C. Dyer and myself as joint liquidators for the purpose of such winding up.

Since that date our attention has been devoted to converting the company's assets into cash as expeditiously and as advantageously as possible. As you are aware local market conditions have, during the period which has elapsed, been anything but favourable for the winding up of an undertaking of this nature. The price of all securities, broadly speaking, has been heavily affected from the view point of local fuel quotation by the unprecedentedly high level of exchange, which has also naturally affected the volume of business on our Stock Exchange. Tightness of money and the consequent difficulty in obtaining loan repayments has also proved an adverse factor.

The first step in the liquidation was to make repayment of capital to the preference shareholders—this was done on May 14th last—fourteen days after the company went into liquidation. Since then we have made two payments to the ordinary shareholders out of assets realized—viz.: Tls. 2½ on August 31st and Tls. 2.00 on November 1st—making in all Tls. 4½ per share up to date.

We have at date paid out to sundry creditors and to preference and ordinary shareholders nearly two and a half million taels—leaving a balance of assets which should show a further return to shareholders either in cash or securities of approximately Tls. 8½ per share.

The realization of a portion of these assets is attended with various difficulties which will be referred to at the extraordinary meeting about to be held.

That is all I have to say, gentlemen, with regard to the liquidation as far as it has gone—how long it will be before the liquidation is finally completed, it is of course impossible to say—I am afraid it will take some little time yet, but you may be sure that any delay which may take place will be unavoidable—we will expedite matters all we can.

If there are any questions you may wish to ask I will endeavour to answer them.

The only other business before this meeting is in the nature of an ordinary resolution fixing the fees of the joint liquidators—at the usual minimum rate of 2½ per cent. on realizations less expenses.

There being no questions the following resolution was adopted:—

"That the remuneration of the joint liquidators for their services in winding up be fixed at a sum equal to 2½ per cent. of the amount of the assets divided among the members of the company and the unsecured creditors." Proposed by Père Sallou and seconded by Mr. J. Johnston.

EXTRAORDINARY MEETING.

At the extraordinary general meeting which immediately followed, after the reading of the notice convening the meeting, the Chairman said:—

Gentlemen,—The resolution which I am about to propose will give the liquidators the power to distribute amongst the members of the company such assets as may be difficult of realization. It is not the intention of the liquidators to distribute all the remaining assets in this way, but only such assets as, as I have just remarked, are at present unrealizable and which lend themselves to such distribution.

In order to make it quite clear to you what is intended I will give you an instance of what may be done.

We hold at present amongst the unrealized assets debentures of the Tebong Rubber & Tinplate Estate, Ltd., of the face value of Tls. 165,500—these debentures pay interest semi-

annually at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum, but being, as you are, quite conversant with the financial state of our market, you will readily realize that the placing of a large block of debentures such as this is at present out of the question, at least that is our experience after having made every effort to dispose of them. Now these debentures lend themselves to distribution—we have 300,000 ordinary shares and broadly speaking this would permit of the distribution of Tls. 150,000 worth of Tebong debentures—this would mean that each share would call for 50 cents worth of debenture—thus 200 shares would be allotted Tls. 100.00 worth of debentures, which is the smallest denomination issuable by the Tebong Company. The debentures are issuable only in multiples of 100, holdings of less than 200 shares would thus be paid the cash equivalent as would also the surplus share balances of larger holdings.

I will instance another of our investments which it may be necessary to distribute in shares—I refer to a holding of 25,000 £1 shares of the Telogedjo United Plantations, Ltd., a London company whose estates are situated in Java. This amount of £25,000 was originally in the form of debentures. These debentures carried the right to convert into ordinary shares of the company at par and this option was exercised on June 30th, 1917. The debentures themselves were repayable in 1930.

Our efforts to dispose of these shares have so far been unsuccessful—while telegraphic negotiations were in progress with London the Treasury authorities stepped in and declared the transaction out of order, same being in their opinion equivalent to a remittance of funds to a foreign country. Representations have been made to the proper authorities for a reconsideration of their decision, and it is barely possible that the sale of these shares on the London market may be allowed. Should they be declared not negotiable prior to the termination of the war, we will have to consider the distribution of the bulk of these shares to members in the proportion of two Telogedjo shares for every twenty-five Cathay ordinary shares.

TELEGRAMS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

A CUNARD LINER
TORPEDOED.PASSENGERS AND CREW SAVED
WITH FEW EXCEPTIONS.

London, Jan. 28.

The Cunard Company's s.s. *Andania*, outward bound, with 40 passengers and 200 crew, was torpedoed off the coast of Ulster. All those aboard took to the boats and were picked up after an hour. It is hoped to bring the liner into port.

LATER.

The survivors of the *Andania* who were landed on the coast of Antrim by patrol ships state that the ship was torpedoed amidst the starboard side at 10 o'clock on Saturday morning, at a moment when boat-drill was about to be held. The explosion killed four stokers and the vessel developed a bad list to starboard, which made the launching of boats very difficult. The survivors include women and babies.

SPANISH CREW ROBBED BY
GERMAN PIRATES.

London, Jan. 28.

There is great indignation in Spain over the torpedoing of the Spanish steamer *Giraldia* on the 28th inst., 80 miles west of La Guardia. The men on the submarine robbed the crew, who were subsequently picked up and landed at Vigo.

THE BOLSHEVİK VIEW OF
PETROGRAD'S DESTINY.THE ANNEXATIONIST AIMS OF
GERMANY AND THEIR
OUTCOME.

London, Jan. 27.

Mr. Williams, the Press Correspondent, telegraphing from Petrograd, states that the Bolshevik newspapers admit that the Brest-Litovsk negotiations have exposed the German Government's intention to annex the western provinces of Russia. They claim that the knowledge of that fact is due to the Bolshevik efforts, and explain that it does not matter if General Hoffman carries out his threat to seize Reval, as it will merely expose to the German Army and to the German people the annexationist aims of their Government and lead to the overthrow of the existing Berlin régime.

Meanwhile, the Bolsheviks are dallying with a scheme for resisting a German advance by creating a highly paid volunteer army to engage in a Holy War with all imperialist nations and are also waiting to see the red flag raised in Austria.

They believe that Petrograd is destined to become the Capital of a Federation of Soviet Republics.

SPLIT AMONG THE BOLSHEVİKS.

London, Jan. 28.

The Daily News Petrograd Correspondent states that a split has occurred among the Bolsheviks. The minority consider that Russia's weakness and isolation compel her to negotiate for a separate peace, while the majority, with the Left Social Revolutionaries are prepared to take up Germany's challenge and to enter into a period of revolutionary defence. The ultimate decision lies with M. Trotsky.

A "RELENTLESS STRUGGLE"
WITH THE UKRAINIAN
RAIDA.

Petrograd, Jan. 28.

The Government announces that it will not further negotiate with the Ukrainian Rada and states: "The only possible course is a relentless struggle with the Rada until the Ukrainian Soviets are completely victorious."

The newspapers state that the Ukrainians and the Bolsheviks are both mobilising and a general engagement may be expected in a few days, near Kiev.

NO TELEGRAPHIC COMMUNICATIONS
WITH PETROGRAD.

Stockholm, Jan. 28.

Telegraphic communication with Petrograd has been interrupted since Sunday morning. It is reported that the Red Guards cut the lines.

HEAVY FIGHTING BETWEEN
BOLSHEVİKS AND
UKRAINIANS.

Amsterdam, Jan. 29.

A telegram from Vienna states that there has been heavy fighting for several days between the Ukrainian and Bolshevik troops at Luck, which the Ukrainians are endeavouring to capture.

The Bolshevik Commander asked for assistance from the Austro-Hungarian Commander of the district, who refused to give it.

COMPLETE ANARCHY IN FINLAND.

Stockholm, Jan. 28.

The whole of Finland is telegraphically isolated, and complete anarchy reigns in Finland.

ITALIAN PREMIER IN
LONDON.

London, Jan. 28.

The Italian Premier, interviewed in London, said that the result of his conferences with Mr. Lloyd George, Mr. Balfour and Lord Robert Cecil was most satisfactory. They were agreed in all essential political matters both as to principle and method. Certain Italian papers had expressed disappointment with Mr. Lloyd George's references to Austria, but there was not a shadow of misunderstanding between the British and Italian Governments.

Signor Orlando, in paying a tribute to the British troops in Italy, mentioned that a British Ambulance had saved his wounded son on the Piave and also that the presence of the Prince of Wales on the Italian Front had profoundly impressed the Italians.

Signor Orlando confessed that he had misgivings after the disaster at Caporetto, but the heroism of the Italian troops and the co-operation by the British and the French, had restored the equilibrium.

Signor Orlando predicted that the next enemy offensive would be again on the Italian Front.

SUBMARINES RECALLED TO REFIT.
MORE POWERFUL SUBMARINE
OFFENSIVE EXPECTED.

Washington, Jan. 28.

Mr. Baker, the Secretary of War, in his weekly review says: "As the time approaches when the enemy will endeavour to strike a decisive blow in the West, it must be emphasised that he will not content himself with a mere military operation on a large scale. During the past fortnight, the enemy submarines have been recalled to a home port to be refitted and the most powerful submarine offensive, so far undertaken, will be launched against the lines of communication with France in order to interrupt the steady flow of men and munitions for our armies and food supplies for our Allies."

EXTENSIVE ARAB RAIDS.

London, Jan. 28.

The War Office announces that the Arabs, during the past ten days, have made extensive raids and destroyed the telegraph line and several miles of the Hedjaz railway track to the north-west of Medina. They also attacked posts to the south of Mecca, inflicting heavy losses on the enemy and destroying buildings, water tanks and an ammunition dump.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

FIGHTING IN THE DARDANELLES.

London, Jan. 27.

A Turkish official message received by wireless states: "There was lively aerial activity at the Dardanelles. Land fire compelled two enemy warships and a mine-sweeper to retreat. The last named was hit three times."

TURKS CLAIM ADVANCE IN
PALESTINE.

London, Jan. 27.

A Turkish communiqué reports: "We rectified our lines in Palestine, advancing them two kilometres."

COMPENSATION PAID TO
HOLLAND.

London, Jan. 27.

Mr. Hughes has announced that Great Britain has paid 92,076 guilders compensation for material damage caused in the bombing of Gertze Zoo on April 29 by British aeroplanes.

THE CIVIL WAR IN RUSSIA.
FIGHTING AT VIBORG.

Petrograd, Jan. 27.

The fighting between the Red Guards and White Guards has become intensified at Viborg. The White Guards are drawn from the educated classes and former soldiers.

FINNISH SENATE BROKEN UP.

The sitting of the Finnish Senate which sent the ultimatum to Russia regarding the excesses of soldiers was broken up by Socialists, supported by the Fleet.

CONFISCATION OF PROPERTY.

A telegram from Odessa states that a Military Revolutionary Committee has been formed and announced its intention of confiscating the property of the rich, also the deposits at the Banks and in private safes, for the benefit of the unemployed.

THE UKRAINIANS SPLIT.

An official telegram from Brest-Litovsk states that the representatives of the Ukrainian Soviets have established at Kharkoff a rival Ukrainian Rada to that established at Kiev. They have informed the Bolshevik representatives that the Rada does not represent the Ukrainian people, but only the Governments of Kiev, Tchernikov and part of Kursk, whereas the Soviets control Kharkoff, Ekaterinoslav, and the Kherson basin from Donets to the Black Sea, and it is impossible for the Rada to supply anyone with wheat, because the Soviets control the wheat-growing governments and means of communication. Representatives of the Soviets will confer in the peace negotiations as part of the Russian delegation, and repudiate the treachery of the Rada in attempting to make separate peace with the Central Powers. The President of the Russian delegation replied agreeing to discuss a common peace with the Ukraine Soviets as part of the Russian delegation.

UKRAINE PROCLAIMED AN
INDEPENDENT REPUBLIC.

Petrograd, Jan. 27.

The Ukrainian Rada, by 308 votes to 4, has proclaimed "the complete independence of the Ukrainian Republic. It declares that it wishes for friendship with Rumania, Turkey and other neighbouring Powers. It will support no war but desires the Ukrainian people's peace as soon as possible."

SERIOUS FIGHTING BETWEEN
RUSSIANS AND RUMANIANS.

Petrograd, Jan. 27.

Serious fighting is reported from Brest-Litovsk between Russians and Rumanians on January 20 in the vicinity of Galatz. The Ninth and a portion of the Tenth Siberian Divisions attempted to break through in order to regain Russian territory, from where they were cut off by the Rumanians. Heavy artillery, also monitors on the Danube, were engaged. The attempts, so far, have failed. The fighting continues.

KUEHLMANN AND CZERNIN
RETURN TO BREST-LITOVSK.

Amsterdam, Jan. 27.

German papers announce that Count Czernin and Dr. Kuehlmann return to Brest-Litovsk to-day.

GERMAN SOCIALIST ON GERMAN
BOASTS.

Amsterdam, Jan. 27.

In a debate in the Reichstag, following Count von Hertling's speech, Herr Scheidemann, the Socialist member, said that their boasts in 1916 that the U-Boats would give victory in six months proved empty. The most visible effect of submarine had been the entry of America into the war. Now marvellous stories were being circulated about the coming great offensive; but supposing Paris and Calais were taken they would still have to fight America. General Hoffman's speech at Brest-Litovsk kindled the strike movement in Austria. Not a single cry had been heard in Vienna against the Austrian Emperor, but the Kaiser was openly insulted there. These pan-Germans would make Germany lose her last friend.

Herr Scheidemann warned the Government that if it did not rid itself of such patriots and did not secure peace with Russia it would be hurled from power, so serious was the feeling of the people at the prospect of new bloodshed in the spring.

KING SANCTIONS NEW HUNGARIAN
PROGRAMME.

London, Jan. 27.

A Budapest telegram states that the King has sanctioned the new Government programme, comprising the formation of a National Hungarian Army and the drawing up of a new Austro-Hungarian commercial treaty.

PRESIDENT WILSON URGES
ECONOMY.

Washington, Jan. 27.

WHEATLESS AND MEATLESS
DAYS.

President Wilson, in a proclamation, exhorts the greatest food economy in the Allies, whose subsistence is largely dependent on the United States. He appeals for a reduction of thirty per cent. in the consumption of wheat and wheat products. Mondays and Wednesdays should be wheatless. Tuesdays should be meatless and one third daily should be meatless. Saturdays should be portless. Continued economy in the use of sugar is urged till after the year.

THE SOCIETY OF ST.
GEORGE, HONGKONG.

FIRST ANNUAL MEETING.

ANOTHER WAR BOND
DRAWING.

The first annual meeting of the Hongkong Society of St. George was held last evening in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. (by kind permission of the Company), for the purpose of electing officers and committee for the ensuing year and also to discuss the methods of celebrating the next St. George's Day.

There were present, Mr. Justice Gompertz (President), the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak (Vice-President), Mr. N. J. Stubb (Hon. Treasurer) and Messrs. G. S. Archbutt, C. Bewick, H. W. Bird, W. A. Dowley, H. W. Looker, M. S. Northcote and the Hon. Mr. E. B. Sharp, K.C. (Committee), Mr. J. Bentley (Hon. Sec.), and about 150 members of the Society.

After the Hon. Secretary had read the notice convening the meeting, the President said that the accounts for last year would be found at the back of the book of rules, a copy of which had been placed in the hands of each member present. They had started the new year with 109 old members and, the Hon. Secretary had told him that 42 new names had already been received. He would like other members of the Society to do their best to discover other names and get them to join the Society, because it would no doubt have very large calls upon it after the war. There had been only one case of relief during the past year. The man assisted was a soldier on the Reserve list. When war was declared he was called up and joined the Worcesters. He was very badly wounded and was invalided out of the Army. He had a brother in India, an old soldier, whom he wished to join. He was coming out to India via Canada, when he became seriously ill and had to enter a hospital in Canada. That exhausted all his available money. When he was discharged from hospital he came on to Hongkong, and appealed to the Society for help. A hundred dollars was awarded him and he was given a passage to his destination.

Continuing, the Chairman said the business of the meeting was to receive suggestions as to the celebration of St. George's Day. They had to elect a general committee and leave it to them to arrange what form the celebration should take. Last year they made about \$38,000, and were able to send a draft of \$4,000 to various war charities. Of that sum \$15,000 were obtained by the sale of badges; \$10,000 from the performance in the theatre and \$6,000 from the fair. It was a question for the committee to decide whether a fair should be held this year or not, because \$6,000 was not a large proportion of the whole amount. They all knew that Kowloon had held a fair similar to that on "Our Day" and had realised \$12,000. Then the St. Andrew's Fair, which was run for two days and a night, made \$26,000. Whether or not the fair should be held was a matter for discussion, and the new Committee, which would be formed, would be guided by the result of the discussion. He had received a suggestion from their energetic Vice-President, the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak, who said he saw no reason why there should not be a War Bond Drawing. There was plenty of time to boom the scheme. His Excellency, on being approached, kindly sanctioned the proposal and hoped that the scheme would meet with all possible success.

A small financial Sub-Committee comprising the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak, Mr. N. J. Stubb, Mr. Montague Ede, and Mr. L. N. Lee, had been appointed to take the matter in hand. The winners of the prizes would receive Hongkong War Loan Bonds, and the Bank had promised to let them have as many as they wanted. The Straits letters, and the lottery held here on "Our Day," gave 60 per cent. as prizes; but it had been suggested that in the present instance 75 per cent. should be offered in prizes. It must be remembered that all the money given in prizes was loaned to the Government for war purposes. A war bond drawing, which offered 75 per cent. of the proceeds in prizes would yield more than one offering only 60 per cent. because more people would be attracted to purchase tickets. A suggestion was to give 50 per cent. as first prize; 15 per cent. as second, and the balance would make up a number of small prizes. The details, however, he thought, might best be left in the hands of the new Committee. There were two other questions which, strictly speaking, would not be dealt with at that meeting.

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no notice having been given of them. The new Committee would consider them and no doubt they would be brought up at the proper time. The first one was the desirability of increasing the number of the present Committee. Seven members were hardly enough for a Society of their size in a place of the dimensions of Hongkong. They wanted a Committee as representative as possible. After the war they might have Societies in England sending them men who had served in the Army, and asking the Society to procure jobs for them, etc. He thought the greater the number on the Committee the better they would be able to cope with the work. In his opinion it would be best to increase the number on the Committee to twelve. The Shanghai St. George's Society had eleven members on the Committee. The Hongkong St. George's Society, however, had more members and expected an increase. Why should they not have a bigger Committee? The other question to which he had referred was one which had been discussed last year. He thought that the Society should be affiliated to the Royal St. George's Society in England, which was the parent Society. Mr. Bentley, who had returned from Shanghai, had told him that the Society there had been affiliated, the affiliation fee being a guinea, which included the subscription to a magazine, containing matters of interest pertaining to the Society. He thought that they should have no hesitation in leaving the matter in the hands of the new Committee. (Cheers.)

The Hon. Mr. E. H. SHARP proposed, and Mr. G. S. ARCHBUTT seconded, that the accounts be passed. The motion was carried unanimously.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Mr. Justice Gompertz proposed that the Hon. Mr. P. H. HOLYOAK be elected President for the ensuing year.

Mr. MONTAGUE EDE seconded, and the motion was carried.

The Hon. Mr. P. H. HOLYOAK proposed, and the Hon. Mr. E. H. SHARP seconded, that Mr. N. J. Stubb be elected Vice-President, and the motion was carried unanimously.

On the motion of Mr. Justice Gompertz, Mr. J. Bentley was unanimously re-elected Hon. Secretary.

The Hon. Mr. J. H. KERR proposed the election of Mr. J. H. Ramsay as Hon. Treasurer, and the motion was carried unanimously. The election of the Committee was then proceeded with. The President said that he had received intimation from the Hon. Mr. E. H. Sharp and Mr. C. W. Bewick that they would be absent from the Summer and therefore did not desire to stand for re-election on the Committee. Names were then called for by those who desired to stand for election and the election of the Committee was then proceeded with. The President said that he had received intimation from the Hon. Mr. E. H. Sharp and Mr. C. W. Bewick that they would be absent from the Summer and therefore did not desire to stand for re-election on the Committee.

The following Committee were elected:—Messrs. H. W. Bird, G. S. Archbutt, E. H. B. Hancock, L. N. Lee, W. J. Eldridge, C. Montague Ede, and the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock. The Hon. Mr. P. H. HOLYOAK, as the new President, said that whilst the ballot was being counted he would like to address the meeting. First, he would like to thank them for the high honour they had done him in electing him President of the Society, which had already shown itself a power in the Colony; secondly, he would like to say a word or two concerning how the day was to be celebrated. Of course, it must be left to the committee to deal with the matter, but the meeting had been called for the purpose of receiving suggestions as to how the day should be suitably and honourably celebrated. It was obvious that it must continue on the lines it did last year—that of raising funds in connection with charities for carrying on the war. The late President had already told them something of the plans for a drawing of war bonds. They would realise from the figures mentioned that it would be no light work, and it therefore required the united energy of every member of the Society to make it ultimately be. They would probably proceed with a street collection, as last year, and the question of a fair or a bazaar must also be discussed by the Committee. One excellent suggestion had already been received, namely, that there should be something in the nature of a bazaar such as had been carried out with such success in Canada. There would be a number of shops, replete with useful articles for sale. The idea was that they must all have something in their possession which they could do without. It might be an article of decoration or a curio which they could present to the Society. It would embody all classes of articles of furniture, and such objects. The bazaar, which would be

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situated near the fair grounds in a marshy area for the purpose. No doubt properly worked, the idea would raise a very large sum of money. Further, it had been suggested, and Mr. Sinclair had already promised, to endeavour to organise a theatrical performance in the theatre, in the evening, which would no doubt be as successful as the one last year. The idea he would like to impress on them all most forcibly was, that if the day was to be celebrated with the success that should attend so laudable an object, it must be through their united effort. The magnificent effort of their Scotch friends on Heather Day was one worthy of emulation. They proposed to divide their members immediately after that gathering into various sub-committees, each of which would be entrusted with its own share of the work and by their combined efforts the celebrations would be made the success it should be. The object was so laudable that it would appeal to the Colony for the time being, and that every appeal had been received and would meet with ready response and generous giving. Before he set down he would like to express the thanks of those at that meeting to the retiring President and to the committee for their untiring, unselfish, and strong enthusiasm and the untiring energy they had put into the work last year which had made the first St. George's Day of Hongkong such a great success. (Cheers.)

Mr. B. HANCOCK asked whether it would not be better for members to send in suggestions to the Committee, as it was very difficult to make new suggestions on the spur of the moment. He thought if they went home and thought the matter over the suggestions forthcoming would be more practicable and useful than if they made spontaneous suggestions then.

The CHAIRMAN said that the Committee would be very glad to receive such suggestions.

A suggestion was made that ladies should be included on the committee, to which the Chairman replied that the ladies did perform service for their last year and the same course would be adopted this year, by including ladies on the sub-committees.

The matter of increasing the Committee from seven members to twelve was put to the vote and unanimously agreed to. The Chairman stated that the necessary steps for the alteration of the rules to enable that to be done would be taken as soon as possible.

After a vote of thanks to Messrs. Archbutt, Montague Ede, and Company, named for the use of the room had been heartily accepted, the meeting terminated.

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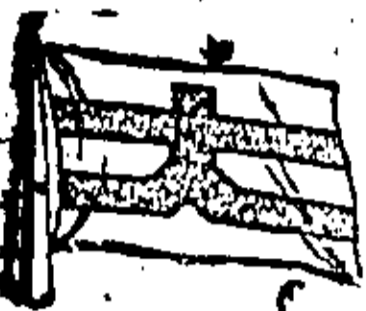
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E. V. D. PARR,

Superintendent

Hongkong, Nov. 23, 1917.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.

S.S. "VENEZUELA"

FROM SAN FRANCISCO,

HONOLULU, JAPAN PORTS,

SHANGHAI AND MANILA.

THE above-mentioned vessel having

arrived from above ports, Consignees

of Cargo are hereby informed that

their Cargo is being landed at their

risk into the Hazardous and/or extra

Hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong

and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.,

Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk.

Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified

that they must produce an Import permit

assigned by the Superintendent of Imports

and Exports, Hongkong, before Bill of

Lading can be counter-signed.

All broken, chipped and damaged Goods

are to be left in the Godowns, where they

will be examined on TUESDAY,

January 29th, 1918 at 10 a.m.

All claims must be presented within a

month of the steamer's arrival here, after

which they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the

Goods have left the Godowns and all

Goods remaining undelivered after Janu-

ary 30th, 1918, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by

Bills of Lading for counter-signature

immediately.

J. ORAM SHEPPARD,

Acting Agent.

Hongkong, Jan. 23, 1917.

KONINKLYKE PAKETVAART

MAATSCHAPPY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"JACOB"

having arrived from the above ports,

Consignees of Cargo by her are notified

that all Goods are being landed at their

risk into the Hazardous and/or extra

Hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong

and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.,

whence and/or from the Wharves

delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 2nd Febru-

ary, 1918, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chipped and damaged

packages are to be left in the Godowns,

where they will be examined on the 1st

February, 1918, at 10 a.m.

Claims against the steamer must be

presented in writing within ten days

HONGKONG DEFENCE CORPS.

Administrative Orders by Major H. A. Morgan, Administrative Commandant.

COMMUNICATION DRILL.

At Headquarters on Tuesday, 29th January, at 8 p.m. Officers and N.C.O.s of "A" and "B" Companies will attend. Other officers and N.C.O.s may attend if they so desire. Infantry Training 1914, Sections 1 to 35 will be practised.

LECTURES.

At Headquarters, Friday, 1st February, at 6 p.m. Subject, Map Reading and Field Sketching.

Orders for Artillery Company by Captain J. H. W. Armstrong, V.D.

Parades, at Belcher's Battery.

THURSDAY, 28th instant—
7.30 a.m. Right Half Company, L. Gun detachment will be drilled.
8.15 p.m. Left Half Company, Layers and Setters Class only.

FRIDAY, 1st February—
7.30 p.m. Right Half Company, Full Parade.
8.15 p.m. Left Half Company, Full Parade.

SUNDAY 3rd February—
Right and Left Half Companies. Full charge practice at Belcher's Battery, parade at 9 a.m.

Orders for Engineer Company by Captain W. Russell.

25th inst. to 1st February.
E.L. Manning nightly at Belcher's and Lyceum. Parades as per Rosters posted at Headquarters.

Engine drivers at 5.45 p.m.
Electricians at 6.00 p.m.

OFFICERS NEXT FOR DUTY.

Belcher's, 2nd Lieut. Matthewman, Freeman, Captain James.

Stoucutters, Lieut. Stevenson.

LECTURE.

A lecture on Musketry will be given by the Adjutant at Headquarters on 30th inst. at 5.30 p.m. All N.C.O.s and men (other than Quarry Bay residents) not on first relief to attend. A lecture on Musketry will be given by the Adjutant at Quarry Bay on 31st inst. at 5.30 p.m. All N.C.O.s and men not on first relief to attend.

MUSKETRY.

N.C.O.s and men of Nos. 1 and 2 Sections, as notified by the Company Sergeant Major will fire at King's Park Range on Sunday, 3rd February. Detail at Belcher's Relief for February, 1918, is posted at Headquarters.

Orders for Infantry Battalion by Major H. A. Morgan.

PARADE.

"A" Company.
WEDNESDAY, 28th inst.—
4.30 p.m. Nos. 3 and 4 Sections, Annual Musketry Course, Part 3, Practices 15 and 16, at King's Park Range. Dress, drill order with pouches.

THURSDAY, 29th inst.—
5.15 p.m. No. 3 Platoon, at Headquarters. Musketry instruction dress drill order with pouches.

THURSDAY, 29th inst.—
8.00 p.m. No. 5 Platoon, Annual Musketry Course, Part 3, Practices 15 and 16, at King's Park Range. Dress, drill order with pouches.

FRIDAY, 1st February—
5.15 p.m. No. 7 Platoon, at Headquarters. Musketry instruction dress drill order with pouches.

MACHINE GUN COMPANY.

Dress for all parades, clean fatigue with puttees.

WEDNESDAY, 28th inst.—
5.10 p.m. Drill at Headquarters No. 2, 4 and 6 Guns only.

THURSDAY, 29th inst.—
5.10 p.m. Drill at Headquarters. The following men only need attend: Ptes. Logan, McKenna, Finget, Field and Staiton.

FRIDAY, 1st February—
5.10 p.m. Parade at Headquarters for N.C.O.s only.

MOUNTED SECTION.

THURSDAY, 29th inst.—
5.15 p.m. At Jockey Club Stables. Dress, drill order without rifles.

MONDAY, 29th and THURSDAY, 31st inst.—
5.15 p.m. Left Half Section (except those who have not completed T.E.T.) at Headquarters. Signalling practice. Dress, clean fatigue.

WEDNESDAY, 28th and FRIDAY, 1st February—
5.15 p.m. Right Half Section and those of Left Half who have not completed Tests of Elementary Training, at Headquarters. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches. Sergeant Meade will attend on 3rd inst.

SIGNALING SECTION.

THURSDAY, 29th inst.—
5.15 p.m. All units, except "D" Company, on Murray Parade Ground, under Sergeant Edwards and Meade. Dress, drill order.

"D" COMPANY.

FRIDAY, 1st February—
5.15 p.m. No. 3 and 4 Sections, on Murray Parade Ground. Musketry instruction. Dress, drill order with pouches. Sergeant Osberry and Corporal Grimes will attend.

DETAILS.

On duty to 28th inst. "B" Company. On duty 28th, 31st inst. and 1st Feb. inclusive, Mounted Section and Machine Gun Company.

On duty 2nd to 9th Feb. inclusive—
"A" Company.
On duty 10th to 17th Feb. inclusive—
"B" Company.

On duty 18th to 24th Feb. inclusive—
"C" Company.
On duty 25th to 31st Feb. inclusive—
"D" Company.

On duty 1st to 7th Feb. inclusive—
"E" Company.
On duty 8th to 14th Feb. inclusive—
"F" Company.

On duty 15th to 21st Feb. inclusive—
"G" Company.
On duty 22nd to 28th Feb. inclusive—
"H" Company.

On duty 29th to 31st Feb. inclusive—
"I" Company.
On duty 1st to 7th March inclusive—
"J" Company.

On duty 8th to 14th March inclusive—
"K" Company.
On duty 15th to 21st March inclusive—
"L" Company.

On duty 22nd to 28th March inclusive—
"M" Company.
On duty 29th to 31st March inclusive—
"N" Company.

On duty 1st to 7th April inclusive—
"O" Company.
On duty 8th to 14th April inclusive—
"P" Company.

On duty 15th to 21st April inclusive—
"Q" Company.
On duty 22nd to 28th April inclusive—
"R" Company.

On duty 29th to 31st April inclusive—
"S" Company.
On duty 1st to 7th May inclusive—
"T" Company.

On duty 8th to 14th May inclusive—
"U" Company.
On duty 15th to 21st May inclusive—
"V" Company.

On duty 22nd to 28th May inclusive—
"W" Company.
On duty 29th to 31st May inclusive—
"X" Company.

On duty 1st to 7th June inclusive—
"Y" Company.
On duty 8th to 14th June inclusive—
"Z" Company.

On duty 15th to 21st June inclusive—
"AA" Company.
On duty 22nd to 28th June inclusive—
"AB" Company.

On duty 29th to 31st June inclusive—
"AC" Company.
On duty 1st to 7th July inclusive—
"AD" Company.

On duty 8th to 14th July inclusive—
"AE" Company.
On duty 15th to 21st July inclusive—
"AF" Company.

On duty 22nd to 28th July inclusive—
"AG" Company.
On duty 29th to 31st July inclusive—
"AH" Company.

On duty 1st to 7th August inclusive—
"AI" Company.
On duty 8th to 14th August inclusive—
"AJ" Company.


On duty 15th to 21st August inclusive—
"AK" Company.
On duty 22nd to 28th August inclusive—
"AL" Company.

On duty 29th to 31st August inclusive—
"AM" Company.
On duty 1st to 7th September inclusive—
"AN" Company.

On duty 8th to 14th September inclusive—
"AO" Company.
On duty 15th to 21st September inclusive—
"AP" Company.

On duty 22nd to 28th September inclusive—
"AQ" Company.
On duty 29th to 31st September inclusive—
"AR" Company.

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HONGKONG POLICE RESERVE.

Orders issued by Mr. F. C. Jenkin, D.S.P. (R.).

INSPECTION.

With the approval of His Excellency the Governor the inspection of the Police Reserve Force, and the social functions arranged for Saturday and Sunday next (February 2nd and 3rd, in connection with the third anniversary, are postponed. The inspection will take place on Sunday, March 3rd.

PARADES.

The parade of No. 2 Company, ordered for Wednesday, January 30th is cancelled.

No. 3 Company and the Ambulance (without stretchers) will parade at Central under the Sergeant-Major at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, January 31st.

STATIONS.

Musketry Sergeant 480 Aslett reports to the ranks at his own request, and is transferred to No. 3 Section, and is P. C. Sequerra 480 is invalided out.

By Order,
T. F. Housen,
A.S.P. (R.) and Adjutant.

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE BRIGADE.

HONGKONG AND CHINA DISTRICT.

It is placed on record that the members of the Brigade named below attended promptly with equipment at the Glesson Street disturbance on the 22nd inst. and that the duties required of them by the Police were carried out satisfactorily.

No. 2 v. A. D.
Divisional Supt., Ho Ki
Sergeant, So Shiu-on
Lance Corporals, Seta Chung, Lo Kwok-fo

Privates, So Shiu-ki, Lau Yat-sang, Tse Ming-yan

No. 3 v. A. D.
Sergeant, H. W. Ray
Lance Corporal, Chan U-to
Privates, Chan Man-kei, Wan Man-kei, Wong Pak-hing, Kong Chun-on, Li Kau-on, Ng Wai-pun, Un Chung-kan

No. 4 v. A. D.
Lance Corporal, Lai Li-him
Privates, Lo Kook-min, Tse Chung-leung, Ewan Wan-tak, Yeung King-kin, So Cheuk-fai

No. 5 v. A. D.
Divisional Supt., Ho Leung
Sergeant, M. K. Lo
Lance Corporals, Ho Cheuk, M. H. Lo, Ling Buck-chye

Privates, W. Hall, Ho Shai-wa, E. Baker, T. Chan

(Sd.) E. RALPH,
District Supt. in Charge of District.

OFFICIAL NIGHTS.

The following Table shows the Standard Time at which Official Night ends and begins during the month of Jan. 1918.

Date	Ends	Begin
Jan. 29th	6.51 a.m.	6.31 p.m.
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POST OFFICE NOTICES.

The Parcel Post Service to British East Africa and Egypt (except for members of the Expeditionary Forces) and to Abyssinia, Bagdad, Eritrea, French Somali Coast, Italian Somaliland, Portuguese East Africa, Zanzibar and Russia have been suspended.

LOCAL AND REGULAR MAILS OUTWARD.

For	Week-Days	Sundays & Holidays
For C...	5.00 P.M.	9.30 A.M.
Tai Po...	10.00 A.M.	9.30 A.M.
Cheung Chow...	7.30 P.M.	7.30 P.M.
Shatinok, Sha...	4.00 P.M.	4.00 P.M.
Aberdeen, Antau...	4.00 P.M.	4.00 P.M.
Ping Shan, Sai...	4.30 P.M.	4.30 P.M.
Sardin, Stanley...	4.30 P.M.	4.30 P.M.

For Canton, Samui...

For Macao...

For Kowloon...

For Nantun...

For Samui...

For Shanchun...

For From Sheungwan Western...

For Branch P.O.

For Week-Days...

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For Canton...

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FARES FOR PUBLIC VEHICLES.

CHAIRS.

I.—In Victoria with two Bearers.

Quarter hour, 10 cents
Half hour, 20 "

One hour, 25 "
Two hours, 50 "

Three hours, 80 "
Six hours, 1.00 "

Day (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.), 1.00 "

If the trip is extended beyond Victoria, half fare extra.

Between the hours of 6.30 p.m. and 8 a.m. the above fares shall be increased by 50 per centum.

II.—Beyond Victoria, with four Bearers.

Hour, 0.60 cents
Three hours, 1.00 "

Six hours, 1.50 "

Day (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.), 2.00 "

III.—In the Hill District.

With 2 Bearers With 4 Bearers.

Quarter hour, 0.15 0.30
Half hour, 0.20 0.40

One hour, 0.30 0.60
Two hours, 0.50 1.00

Three hours, 0.70 1.00
Six hours, 1.00 1.50

Day (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.), 1.50 2.00

IV.—In the Island of Hongkong engaged in Victoria.

Ten minutes, 5 cents
Quarter hour, 10 "

Half hour, 15 "
One hour, 20 "

Every subsequent hour, 20 "

Note.—If the ricksha is engaged within the City of Victoria, and be discharged outside the Western part of the City of Victoria after 9 p.m., or be discharged to the East of Bay View Police Station on the Eastern side of the City of Victoria after 9 p.m., an extra half fare shall be chargeable.

II.—In Kowloon.

Quarter hour, 5 cents
Half hour, 10 "

Hour, 15 "
Every subsequent hour, 10 "

III.—Taipo Road.

Twenty cents shall be added for each extra hour or part of an hour if the hire exceeds the journey to take longer than 10 minutes.

To 4th mile, 75 cents—1 hour.
return, 1.00—2 hours.

Beyond 4th to 8th mile, 1.00—3 hours.
single, 1.50—4 hours.

Beyond 8th to 12th mile, 2.00—5 hours.
single, 2.50—6 hours.

Beyond 12th to 16th mile, 3.00—7 hours.
single, 3.50—8 hours.

Beyond 16th to 20th mile, 4.00—9 hours.
single, 4.50—10 hours.

Fares for journeys beyond the 11th mile to be a matter of previous arrangement in each case.